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Maine Bulb
and Flower Growers
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1917.

A Merger of the Interests of
Horne, Noyes & Geo. A. Whitney
LEWISTON, MAINE.

Catalog-1917

Announcing a new firm **Maine Bulb and Flower Growers**

TO ALL who may receive this little booklet we extend the season's greetings and at the same time announce to both old and new customers a change which marks a new period of development in our bulb business.

Geo. A. Whitney of this city, who has grown bulbs commercially for a number of years, has joined Messrs. Horne and Noyes in the formation of a corporation to be known as Maine Bulb and Flower Growers, thus consolidating the bulb business of both firms.

The business of both parties had grown to such proportions that this seemed advisable in the interest of efficiency of handling, and in keeping up the quality of the product and the high standard of service that should be maintained. Increased facilities and resources will count materially in attaining this object.

The bulbs are grown locally under the immediate supervision of the above mentioned parties; and to those who have dealt with us in the past as well as to our new customers, we wish to state that our endeavor will be to keep up a reputation for the best goods at fair prices and to render service in every way satisfactory to the purchaser.

Our bulbs are guaranteed to be true to name, free from disease and of good value. We will gladly replace any

that prove to be otherwise. We also have thousands of seedlings from which new varieties will be selected as they develop.

Every year we have hundreds of visitors at our grounds, and they are always welcome. We will let you know the time through the local papers.

At the largest exhibition of Gladioli ever shown in Maine, August 24th and 25th, 1916, at the Annual Flower Show held by the Gardeners' Union of Lewiston and Auburn, in City Hall, Lewiston, Me., the flowers from Maine grown bulbs were noticeably superior in size and fully equal in color and in every other way to the flowers shown from other states. This was admitted by competitors. Score one for Maine grown Gladiolus bulbs.

The Geo. A. Whitney Co. will still carry our bulbs in their store, and will handle the local trade, while all mail orders and correspondence should be sent to

MAINE BULB & FLOWER GROWERS,

Lewiston, Maine.

Horne & Noyes, Gladiolus Specialists.

Geo. A. Whitney, Gladiolus Enthusiast.

No. 23—DR. DRAKE (Burrell). Bright crimson with cream white centre and throat. Most popular cut flower for season 1916.

\$5.00 per 50 \$1.50 per doz. 15 cents each

No. 77—EMPRESS OF INDIA. Rich dark-brown red; a rare and beautiful color.

\$5.00 per 50 \$1.50 per doz. 15 cents each

No. 45—EUROPA.

\$5.00 per 50 \$1.50 per doz. 15 cents each

No. 35—GLORY—New Fluted and Ruffled. Each lower petal is exquisitely ruffled and fluted. Stalks grow from 4 to 5 feet tall; very robust and produces from 8 to 12 massive beautiful flowers, which expand wide open and are delicate cream pink with a neat crimson stripe through the center of each lower petal. A very beautiful and quite distinct flower, while the plant is one of the most robust we have ever seen. Bound to become very popular.

\$2.50 per 50 \$1.00 per doz. 10 cents each

No. 54—GLORY of HOLLAND (New). Of purest white, with anthers of delicate lavender; very early and good for forcing; received Award of Merit.

\$2.50 per 50 \$1.00 per doz. 10 cents each

No. 56—HALLEY. One of the loveliest Gladioli for massing in the garden. The spike, often 4 to 5 feet tall, is extremely graceful and slender, and is dressed with giant open flowers of coral pink, enhanced by a large blotch of creamy white in the throat. We recommend this variety with every confidence, knowing it will produce a most pleasing surprise.

\$2.50 per 50 75 cents per doz. 10 cents each

No. 4—INTENSITY. Rich light scarlet, lower petals spotted.

\$5.00 per 50 \$1.50 per doz. 15 cents each

No. 11—INDEPENDENCE. Light scarlet of a very pleasing shade. Flowers are large, borne on strong spikes.

\$2.50 per 50 50 cents per doz. 5 cents each

No. 7—JANE DIEULAFOY. Flowers creamy white, lower petals stained maroon.

\$5.00 per 50 \$1.50 per doz. 15 cents each

No. 61—KLONDIKE. Lemon yellow with prominent bright maroon blotch. Healthy and easily grown, keeps well, and is good for shipping.

\$2.50 per 50 75 cents per doz. 10 cents each

No. 27—LA LUNA (Groff's). The large heavy buds open as pale yellow flowers; white when fully expanded.

These are relieved by a small brown marking in the throat, and have few equals in point of substance. Flowers are almost perfectly round, the superior petals being broad, well-rounded and overlapping. Plant three feet high; sturdy.

\$20.00 per 50 \$5.00 per doz. 50 cents each

No. 52—LILY LEHMANN. An elegant spike, with pure white flowers of lily form.

\$5.00 per 50 \$1.50 per doz. 15 cents each

No. 40—MEADOWVALE. Pure white, touched with crimson in throat; lower petals marked with faint pink.

\$7.50 per 50 \$2.00 per doz. 20 cents each

No. 36—MRS. FRANK PENDLETON. The most beautiful of all gladioli. Knowing the flower as we do, we hope that with our description we can impart some of our enthusiasm to others. A slender waving spike produces gigantic, widely expanded flowers of the most perfect form in spacious setting, but many in numbers. No artist could ever reproduce the actual coloring of this flower. The predominating color is a vivid but most lovely salmon pink, which frequently passes to pure white at the tips. On the lower petals of each flower there is a most conspicuous blotch of rich blood

red. No orchid could ever boast of such beauty. We recommend this.

\$7.50 per 50 \$2.00 per doz. 20 cents each

No. 69—PINK PERFECTION. Delicate apple-blossom link with sometimes a slight feathering of slightly darker shade. Perfect form and large lily-like flower. Blooms well if cut in the bud.

\$5.00 per 50 \$1.50 per doz. 15 cents each

No. 17—MEPHISTOPHELES. Very bright and rich velvety scarlet with a zone of sulphur-yellow circling all six petals and showing outside as well as inside. Throat dark velvety crimson-black shading into the yellow zone with spots and mottling. Most grotesquely showy.

\$7.50 per 50 \$2.00 per doz. 20 cents each

No. 9—MRS. FRANCIS KING. Light scarlet of a pleasing shade; flowers large, well expanded, tall, straight spike.

\$2.50 per 50 50 cents per doz. 5 cents each

No. 15—NIAGARA. In type the variety resembles "America," but the flowers appear to be somewhat larger, measuring $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches across. In color the flowers are a delightful cream shade with the two lower

inside petals or segments blending to canary yellow. The throat is splashed with carmine, and the lower ends of the outside petals are also blushed with carmine. The stamens are purple and the stigmas pale carmine, this little addition in the coloring relieving the creamy effect of the petals. The flower spike is very erect and stout and is wrapped with broad, dark green foliage. The variety is evidently destined to lead in the cream colored varieties, in fact, it would seem to be in a class by itself.

\$5.00 per 50 \$1.50 per doz. 15 cents each

No. 34—PANAMA. A seedling of America, resembling the parent variety except that it is a much deeper pink.

\$5.00 per 50 \$1.50 per doz. 15 cents each

No. 24—GOLDEN WEST. Magnificent flower of Nasturtium orange shade; throat spotted with red on a sulphur ground.

\$5.00 per 50 \$1.50 per doz. 15 cents each

No. 21—PEACE (Groff's). The grandest white ever offered. Flowers are large, of good form, correctly placed on a heavy straight spike. Color beautiful white with a pale lilac feathering on the inferior petals.

\$5.00 per 50 \$1.50 per doz. 15 cents each

No. 2—PRINCEPS. Rich crimson with intense shadings in the throat, broad white blotches across the lower petals.

\$2.50 per 50 \$1.00 per doz. 10 cents each

No. 29—PROPHETESSE. White, with crimson throat; flowers large and well expanded; vigorous plant. Blooms early.

\$5.00 per 50 \$1.50 per doz. 15 cents each

No. 32—SCARSDALE. An enormous spike, with wide open flowers of a deep lilac pink.

\$5.00 per 50 \$1.50 per doz. 15 cents each

No. 44—SCHWABEN (New, 1913). A most attractive novelty on very powerful stalks; the extremely long spikes appear with about 20 finely formed large flowers, of which 6 to 8 open at one time. The buds are of pure canary yellow, shading to a soft sulphur yellow when opening; the golden dark yellow centre is blotched with a brilliant brownish carmine; but the blotch, being very deep, in the throat the entire effect is not reduced.

\$15.00 per 50 \$4.00 per doz. 35 cents each

No. 8—TACONIC. Bright pink flecked with the same color; tall spike and large blossoms. Mrs. King in her

description of this flower says: "I had an opportunity to observe it closely last August; its general color is mauve rose through the flakes of white very finely distributed over the prevailing tone make it difficult to exactly place the color. Its markings are of carmine purple slim, narrow lines. The effect of the flower was a beautiful warm-pink flaked and feathered with white, as in a Breeder tulip, the markings, however, much more delicate."

\$2.50 per 50 75 cents per doz. 10 cents each

No. 10—VICTORY. Flowers of medium size, well arranged on a strong, straight spike, and many open at the same time. Color delicate sulphur-yellow, lower petals shaded a deeper yellow.

\$2.50 per 50 75 cents per doz. 10 cents each

No. 75—WAR. Undoubtedly the largest of all gladioli, showing from 4 to 6 open flowers at one time. Color a deep blood-red, shading to crimson.

\$10.00 per 50 \$2.50 per doz. 25 cents each



Mixtures

No. 1—BLUE RIBBON MIXTURE. This collection is composed of choice and expensive named varieties, and we take pride in offering it to the critical buyer.

\$9.00 per 100 \$1.25 per doz.

No. 2—H. & N. MIXTURE. This mixture of seedlings, named varieties and Groff's Hybrids will be a very popular one, and you will make no mistake in buying from this combination of good things. The prices are low for the quality of the goods.

\$3.25 per 100 \$1.70 per 50 60 cents per doz.

No. 3—KUNDERD'S MIXTURE.

\$4.00 per 100 \$2.25 per 50 50c per doz.

No. 4—PRIMULINUS HYBRIDS.

\$5.00 per 100 \$3.00 per 50 75c per doz.

No. 5—THE POPULAR MIXTURE. This mixture contains more choice varieties than any other popular mixture.

\$2.00 per 100 30 cents per doz.

Order NOW before you forget it.

The Dahlia

We list here a few varieties of dahlias that are easily grown and are always pleasing either in the garden or as cut flowers.

Cactus Dahlias

	Each	Doz.
CREPUSCLE. Pale orange, yellow and fawn shades. A large showy variety.	25c	\$2.50
DREADNAUGHT. Glowing crimson, deepening to maroon at center, very large.	15c	\$1.50
VOLKER. Soft yellow, very fine and free flowering.	15c	\$1.50

Decorative Dahlias

JACK ROSE. Deep crimson, the color of a Jack Rose, fine form.	15c	\$1.50
MME. VICTOR VASSIER. Clear Sulphur Yellow, fine form and very large.	25c	\$2.50
SOUV. DE GUSTAVE DOUZON. Beautiful orange-scarlet, largest scarlet decorative, very free flowering and fine.	15c	\$1.50

Show and Fancy Dahlias

A. D. LIVONI. Soft pink, extra fine and free flowering.	15c	\$1.50
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QUEEN VICTORIA. Canary yellow, very fine..	10c	\$1.00
SNOWBALL. Pure white, fine form.	15c	\$1.50

Also a list of a few high class seeds which we are able to furnish this season:

Very choice **SPENCER SWEET PEAS** in fancy mixture, embracing every color in this type of sweet peas.
 Packet 10c Ounce 20c $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 65c pound \$2.00

DWARF NASTURTIUMS. A choice mixture, large flowering and great variety of colors.
 Packet 10c Ounce 15c $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 50c

TALL NASTURTIUMS. Hybrids of Madam Gunter. Most profuse flowering and embracing many colors not found in other strains, some blotched and striped sorts.
 Packet 5c Ounce 10c $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. 35c

If varieties ordered are not in stock, we will substitute varieties of equal value, unless otherwise instructed.

If our goods please you we would like you to tell your friends. If for any reason they do not, then tell us and tell us why, but never mind about telling your friends. We can and will make it right if possible whereas they cannot, and will not.

MAINE BULB & FLOWER GROWERS

Lewiston, Maine

